

**Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Natural Resource Commission**

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DECISION

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Notice of Intended Action--Chapter 51, Game Management Areas

The Commission is requested to approve this Notice to amend Chapter 51, Game Management Areas. This amendment adds Hendrickson Marsh and Colo Bog in Story County to the list of areas where nontoxic shot is required and removes several wildlife management areas that were previously exempted from nontoxic shot use.

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Administrator
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Attachment
March 8, 2007

NATURAL RESOURCE COMMISSION [571]
Notice of Intended Action

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code subsection 455A.5(6), the Natural Resource Commission hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 51, "Game Management Areas," Iowa Administrative Code.

This amendment adds Hendrickson Marsh and Colo Bog in Story County to the list of areas where nontoxic shot is required and removes several wildlife management areas that were previously exempted from nontoxic shot use.

Any interested person may make written suggestions or comments on the proposed amendment on or before April 19, 2007. Written comments may be directed to the Wildlife Bureau's website at www.iowadnr.com or may be sent to the Wildlife Bureau Chief, Department of Natural Resources, Wallace State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0034; fax (515)281-6794. Persons who wish to convey their views orally should contact the Wildlife Bureau at (515)281-6156 or at the Wildlife Bureau offices on the fourth floor of the Wallace State Office Building. Also, there will be public hearings held at 18 locations via the Iowa Communications Network on April 19, 2007. Interested persons should contact the Department at (515)281-5918 for a list of hearing locations or go to the Department's website at www.iowadnr.com. At the hearings, persons may present their views either orally or in writing. At the hearings, persons will be asked to give their names and addresses for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of the amendment.

Any persons who intend to attend the public hearing and have special requirements such as those related to hearing or mobility impairments should contact the Department of Natural Resources and advise of specific needs.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 481A.5, 481A.6, 481A.8 and 481A.39.

The following amendment is proposed.

Amend subrule 571--51.9 (481A) as follows:

571--51.9(481A) Use of nontoxic shot on wildlife areas. It shall be unlawful to hunt any migratory game bird or resident game or furbearers, except deer and turkeys, or target shoot with a shotgun while having in one's possession any shot other than nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on the following wildlife areas:

County	Wildlife Area
Benton	Iowa River Corridor
Boone	Harrier Marsh
Buena Vista	All state and federal areas except Bluebird Access
Calhoun	South Twin Lake
Cerro Gordo	All state and federal areas
Clay	All state and federal areas except Burr Access, Dry Mud Lake, Little Sioux, Highbridge, Fen Valley, and the Ocheyedan wildlife area target shooting range
Dickinson	All state and federal areas except the Spring Run target shooting range
Emmet	All state and federal areas except Birge Lake, Grass Lake, Ryan Lake, and the East Des Moines River Access
Franklin	All state and federal areas

Greene	All state and federal areas except Rippey Access and McMahon Access
Guthrie	McCord Pond, Lakin Slough and Bays Branch, except the target shooting range at Bays Branch
Hamilton	Little Wall Lake, Gordon Marsh and Bauer Slough
Hancock	All state and federal areas
Humboldt	All state and federal areas except Bradgate Access and Willows Access
Iowa	Iowa River Corridor
Jasper	Chichaqua
Kossuth	All state and federal areas except Seneca Access
Osceola	All state and federal areas
Palo Alto	All state and federal areas
Pocahontas	All state and federal areas except Kalsow Prairie
Polk	Paul Errington Marsh and Chichaqua
Sac	All state and federal areas except White Horse Access and Sac City Access
Story	<u>Hendrickson Marsh and Colo Bog</u>
Tama	Iowa River Corridor
Winnebago	All state and federal areas
Worth	All state and federal areas
Wright	All state and federal areas

Date

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